UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

ELI LILLY AND COMPANY,)
Plaintiff,))
ACTAVIS ELIZABETH LLC, GLENMARK PHARMACEUTICALS INC. USA, SUN PHARMACEUTICAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED, SANDOZ INC., MYLAN PHARMACEUTICALS INC., APOTEX INC., AUROBINDO PHARMA LTD., TEVA PHARMACEUTICALS USA, INC., SYNTHON LABORATORIES, INC., ZYDUS PHARMACEUTICALS, USA, INC., Defendants.)))
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ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO SEAL

THIS MATTER having come before the Court upon the motion of Plaintiff Eli Lilly and Company ("Lilly") pursuant to Local Civil Rule 5.3(c) to seal Lilly's Memorandum of Law in Support of Eli Lilly and Company's Motion for (1) Deferral of Entry of Judgment or for an Order to Show Cause with Temporary Restraints and (2) a Temporary Injunction, and the attached declarations, and the Court having considered the written submissions of the parties, and the Court having determined that this action involves allegations regarding the disclosure of confidential and proprietary information, and for other and good cause having been shown:

FINDINGS OF FACT

The materials in Lilly's Memorandum of Law in Support of Eli Lilly and Company's
 Motion for (1) Deferral of Entry of Judgment or for an Order to Show Cause with

- Temporary Restraints and (2) a Temporary Injunction, and the attached declarations, that Lilly seeks to seal contain information designated by Lilly as "CONFIDENTIAL" under the Amended Discovery Confidentiality Order entered in this matter on August 6, 2008.
- 2. This is a complex pharmaceutical patent infringement action. As such, a significant portion of the materials exchanged in discovery, and subsequently filed with the Court in connection with pretrial proceedings, contain proprietary and confidential research, development, and business information of the parties.
- 3. By designating their material as "CONFIDENTIAL" under the Amended Discovery

 Confidentiality Order entered in this matter on August 6, 2008, Lilly represented that the subject information is trade secret or other confidential or proprietary research, development, commercial, or financial information within the meaning of Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(c).
- 4. Lilly represented that public disclosure of their confidential information would be detrimental to their business. Due to the nature of the materials described herein, there is no less restrictive alternative to filing under seal Lilly's Memorandum of Law in Support of Eli Lilly and Company's Motion for (1) Deferral of Entry of Judgment or for an Order to Show Cause with Temporary Restraints and (2) a Temporary Injunction, and the attached declarations.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- that Lilly has designated "CONFIDENTIAL" for which Lilly is required to seek to have the Court seal, the Court concludes that Lilly has met its burden of proving, under L. Civ. R. 5.3 and applicable case law, that the materials described above should be filed under seal. Specifically, the Court concludes that: (a) the materials contain confidential information concerning Lilly's business; (b) Lilly has a legitimate interest in maintaining the confidentiality of the materials in order to protect its disclosure to potential competitors who can use the materials and the information contained therein for commercial purposes; (c) public disclosure of the materials would result in clearly defined and serious injury, including the use of the materials by competitors to Lilly's financial detriment; and (d) no less restrictive alternative to sealing the subject documents is available.
- 6. The foregoing conclusions are supported by relevant case law holding that the right of public access to the court filings is not absolute and may be overcome by a showing such as made here in the discretion of the trial court. See Nixon v. Warner Commc'ns, Inc., 435 U.S. 589, 603 (1978). The Court, upon such a proper showing, may in its discretion prevent confidential materials from being transmuted into materials presumptively subject to public access. Gambale v. Deutsche Bank AG, 377 F.3d 133, 143 n.8 (2d Cir. 2004).

BASED UPON the foregoing findings of fact and conclusions of law, it is:

ORDERED that Lilly's Motion to Seal is hereby GRANTED; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the following material is sealed:

a. Lilly's Memorandum of Law in Support of Eli Lilly and Company's Motion for (1)

Deferral of Entry of Judgment or for an Order to Show cause with Temporary Restraints and (2)

a Temporary Injunction, pp. 13-19, 21-23; Declaration of Raymond S. Sims ¶ 8-12, 14-15, 17,

19, 21-34; and Declaration of Michael Mason ¶ 3, 6-11, 13-15, 17-36.

SO ORDERED this 22nd day of September, 2010.

Hon. Joseph A. Dickson, U.S.M.J.

cc. Hon. Dennis M. Cavanaugh, U.S.D.J.